

What's Next?

Vocabulary

All the words in this lesson contain the Latin root *sequ* (spellings include *sequ*, *secu*, *suit*, and *sue*), which means "to follow."

consecutive (kuhn SEK yuh tiv) ADJ.

following one after the other in correct order (*April, May, and June are consecutive months of the year.*)

consequence (KAHN si KWENS) N. logical effect or outcome (*Feeling tired is the consequence of staying up too late at night.*)

ensue (en SOO) V. to come after or happen as a result of (*If this drought continues, a hard year will ensue for the farmers.*)

execute (EK si KYOOT) V. to carry out; to do (*The general ordered his staff to execute his orders.*)

inconsequential (in KAHN si KWEN shuhl) ADJ. having no significance (*What you wear to the party is inconsequential—the important thing is that you come and have fun.*)

obsequious (ahb SEE kwee uhs) ADJ. fawning; obedient out of fear or in hopes of gain (*The obsequious nobles worked at pleasing the king.*)

persecute (PUR si KYOOT) V. to oppress, annoy, or harass (*Even today, people sometimes persecute others who have different beliefs or values.*)

prosecutor (PRAHS i KYOO tur) N. person who starts legal proceedings against another (*The prosecutor argued her case brilliantly before the jury.*)

pursue (pur SOO) V. to follow, seek, or strive for (*I intend to pursue the study of medicine for as long as it takes to get a degree.*)

pursuit (pur SOOT) N. the act of chasing or striving after (*The pursuit of happiness is one of the human rights mentioned in the Declaration of Independence.*)

sect (sekt) N. a group of people with the same principles, beliefs, or opinions (*The small, radical sect broke away from the main church.*)

secular (SEK yuh lur) ADJ. concerned with things of this life; worldly, not spiritual (*The United States has a secular government that is not partial to any religion.*)

sequacious (si KWAY shuhs) ADJ. following in a logical and regular order (*The periodic table lists elements in sequacious order by atomic weight.*)

sequel (SEE kwuhl) N. something that follows; the next installment (*That novel was wonderful—I hope the author writes a sequel to it.*)

sequence (SEE kwuhns) N. a continuous or connected series (*By piecing together the sequence of events, detectives can reconstruct the crime.*)

sequester (si KWES tur) V. to remove from public use or view (*I advise you to sequester yourself while preparing for the S.A.T. exams.*)

subsequent (SUHB si KWENT) ADJ. coming after in time, order, or place (*If you do well on early assignments, teachers will expect you to do so on subsequent ones, too.*)

sue (soo) V. to bring a lawsuit against; to plead (*Terry threatened to sue his neighbor after the neighbor's dog bit him twice.*)

suite (sweet) N. any series of similar things, such as a set of linked rooms (*The rock band rented a suite during their stay in London.*)

suitor (SOO tur) N. one who woos or seeks the affection of another (*My sister's suitor is getting more and more intent that she marry him.*)